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AMENDMENT AFTER A FINAL OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

This amendment addresses the Final Office Action dated June 19, 2002. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks below. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested since they raise no new issues, put the claims in condition for allowance, and/or place the claims in better form for appeal.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend without prejudice claims 20 and 22 as follows.

- 20. (Once Amended) The method according to claim 10, wherein the search signal contains a serial number stored in a memory.
- 22. (Once Amended) The method according to claim 10, wherein the activation signal includes a random number.